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Howard Taitel

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For: Partitioning for Model-based Design**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the final Office Action dated October 11, 2006, the Advisory Action dated April 25, 2007, and in consideration of the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed herewith, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the complete listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.